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This communication is responsive to All the claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice Of Allowance And Issue Fee Due or other appropriate communication will be sent in due course. The allowed claims are 4. 🗋 The drawings filed on . _ are acceptable. 5. Acknowledgment is made of the claim for priority under 35 U.S.C. 119. The certified copy has [_] been received. [_] not been received. [_] been filed in parent application Serial No. . filed on . 6.
Note the attached Examiner's Amendment. 7.

Note the attached Examiner Interview Summary Record, PTOL-413. 8. X Note the attached Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance. 9/ 🗋 Note the attached NOTICE OF REFERENCES CITED, PTO-892. 10. Note the attached INFORMATION DISCLOSURE CITATION, PTO-1449. PART II. A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR RESPONSE to comply with the requirements noted below is set to EXPIRE THREE MONTHS FROM THE "DATE MAILED" indicated on this form. Failure to timely comply will result in the ABANDONMENT of this application. Extensions of time may be obtained under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). 1. Onte the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL APPLICATION, PTO-152, which discloses that the oath or declaration is deficient. A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION IS REQUIRED. 2.

APPLICANT MUST MAKE THE DRAWING CHANGES INDICATED BELOW IN THE MANNER SET FORTH ON THE REVERSE SIDE OF THIS PAPER. a.

Drawing informalities are indicated on the NOTICE RE PATENT DRAWINGS, PTO-948, attached hereto or to Paper No. . CORRECTION IS REQUIRED. b.

The proposed drawing correction filed on _ has been approved by the examiner. CORRECTION IS REQUIRED. c. Approved drawing corrections are described by the examiner in the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT. CORRECTION IS REQUIRED. d. Tormal drawings are now REQUIRED.

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Attachments:

- _ Examiner's Amendment
- _ Examiner Interview Summary Record, PTOL- 413
- Reasons for Allowance
- _ Notice of References Cited, PTO-892
- Information Disclosure Citation, PTO-1449

- Notice of Informal Application, PTO-152
- Notice re Patent Drawings, PTO-948
- _ Listing of Bonded Draftsmen
- _ Other

The following is an Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance:

The Declarations filed January 13, 1992 and May 30, 1991 combined serve to indicate that the sorting of intact sperm with tails combined with the staining at a temperature of 30-39°C patentably the defines over the prior art which shows sorting of tailless sperm heads having been stained at room temperature.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the Issue Fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably **accompany** the Issue Fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

The Group and/or Art Unit location of your application in the PTO has changed. To aid in correlating any papers for this application, all further correspondence regarding this application should be directed to Group Art Unit 1808.

Papers related to this application may be submitted to Group 180 by facsimile transmission. Papers should be faxed to Group 180 via the PTO Fax Center located in Crystal Mall 1. The faxing of such papers must conform with the notice published in the Official Gazette, 1096 OG 30 (November 15, 1989). The CM1 Fax Center number is (703) 308-4227.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Examiner Jean C. Witz whose telephone number is (703) 308-3073. Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application should be directed to the Group receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308-0196.

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